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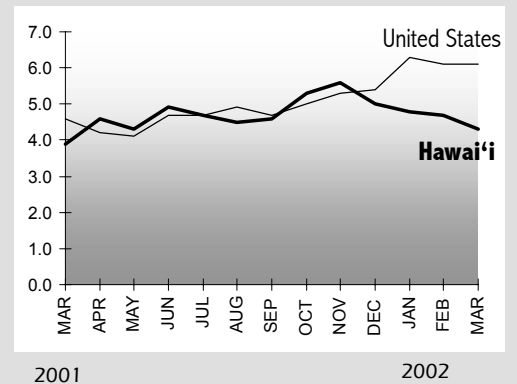
Unemployment Rate

The Hawai'i State Department of Labor and Industrial Relations recently announced that the statewide unemployment rate was 4.3 percent in March, a decrease of 0.4 percentage point compared with the February rate of 4.7 percent. It marked the fourth consecutive month that the statewide unemployment rate declined. In March 2001, the statewide unemployment rate was 3.9 percent.

The national unemployment rate remained unchanged in March at 6.1 percent.

Hawai'i's latest unemployment rate reflected a statewide labor force com-

MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATES



prised of 574,500 employed and 25,900 unemployed.

DATA SOURCE: Local Area Unemployment Statistics, Research & Statistics Office, Hawai'i State Department of Labor & Industrial Relations; Current Population Survey, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.

Nonagricultural Jobs

In the separate nonagricultural payroll job count, there was an increase of 3,800 jobs in March compared with February.

In government, a seasonal rise in casual workers in the University of Hawai'i system was primarily responsible for the addition of 1,000 jobs in public education.

The services industry expanded by 900 jobs, with the bulk of the increase concentrated in the miscellaneous services sector.

In the retail trade industry, eating and drinking establishments added 600 jobs.

Construction gained 500 jobs, with improved weather conditions over-the-month a contributing factor.

Manufacturing expanded by 200 jobs, with most of the gain occurring in the nondurable goods sector.

Air transportation increased by 200 jobs, as the visitor industry continued a return to normalcy.

DATA SOURCE: Current Employment Statistics, Research & Statistics Office, Hawai'i State Department of Labor & Industrial Relations.

Labor Force Estimates; Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Jobs (Hawai'i)

Data in thousands; all data unadjusted

	STATE OF HAWAI'I			HONOLULU COUNTY			HAWAI'I COUNTY			KAUA'I COUNTY			MAUI COUNTY		
	MAR 2002	FEB 2002	MAR 2001	MAR 2002	FEB 2002	MAR 2001	MAR 2002	FEB 2002	MAR 2001	MAR 2002	FEB 2002	MAR 2001	MAR 2002	FEB 2002	MAR 2001
LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES															
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	600.4	603.4	600.8	427.1	428.9	427.7	70.5	70.8	71.0	29.1	29.2	29.1	73.8	74.4	73.0
EMPLOYED	574.5	574.7	577.5	410.1	409.9	413.2	66.6	66.9	67.0	27.4	27.3	27.2	70.4	70.6	70.2
UNEMPLOYED	25.9	28.6	23.3	17.1	19.0	14.5	3.8	4.0	4.0	1.7	1.9	1.9	3.4	3.8	2.9
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	4.3%	4.7%	3.9%	4.0%	4.4%	3.4%	5.4%	5.6%	5.7%	5.7%	6.5%	6.6%	4.6%	5.1%	3.9%

NONAG. WAGE & SAL. JOBS

TOTAL	552.4	548.5	560.6	410.7	407.8	417.9	54.5	54.2	54.8	25.7	25.4	25.5	61.4	61.0	62.4
CONSTRUCTION & MINING	24.3	23.7	23.8	17.2	16.7	16.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	1.0	1.1	1.0	3.1	2.9	2.8
MANUFACTURING	17.6	17.5	17.8	13.9	13.7	13.8	1.6	1.6	1.6	0.4	0.4	0.4	1.7	1.7	1.9
DURABLE GOODS	4.1	4.1	4.1	3.5	3.5	3.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.3	0.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	13.5	13.4	13.7	10.4	10.3	10.4	1.3	1.3	1.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	1.4	1.4	1.5
TRANSP., COMM., & UTIL.	38.9	38.6	43.2	29.9	29.5	33.9	2.7	2.8	2.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	4.5	4.5	4.7
TRANSPORTATION	29.3	29.0	33.3	22.4	22.0	26.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	1.5	1.5	1.5	3.5	3.5	3.7
AIR TRANSPORTATION	12.3	12.2	13.5	10.0	9.9	11.2	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.1	1.1	1.1
COMMUNICATION	6.1	6.1	6.5	5.2	5.2	5.6	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
UTILITIES	3.4	3.4	3.4	2.3	2.3	2.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
TRADE	132.4	131.9	137.6	94.5	94.5	98.8	13.5	13.3	13.6	7.4	7.3	7.4	17.1	16.8	17.8
WHOLESALE	20.0	20.0	20.8	15.8	15.9	16.7	2.2	2.2	2.2	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.4	1.4
RETAIL	112.4	111.9	116.8	78.7	78.5	82.1	11.3	11.2	11.5	6.8	6.8	6.9	15.6	15.4	16.3
GENERAL MERCHANDISE	11.0	11.2	11.5	7.1	7.3	7.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	1.4	1.4	1.2
GROCERY	11.1	11.0	11.3	7.2	7.1	7.3	1.6	1.6	1.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	1.5	1.5	1.5
APPAREL & ACCESS.	7.2	7.2	8.3	5.1	5.2	6.1	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	1.2	1.2	1.3
EATING & DRINKING EST.	49.6	49.0	51.0	35.2	34.9	36.1	4.1	4.1	4.2	3.0	3.0	3.1	7.2	7.0	7.6
FINANCE, INS., REAL EST.	32.8	32.8	32.6	26.6	26.6	26.5	2.3	2.3	2.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	2.8	2.8	2.8
SERVICES & MISC.	185.1	184.2	187.7	131.5	130.8	133.4	19.8	19.7	20.1	9.8	9.6	9.6	24.0	24.2	24.6
HOTELS	37.0	36.9	39.6	15.0	14.9	16.7	7.0	7.0	7.2	3.8	3.6	3.9	11.2	11.4	11.8
HEALTH SERVICES	37.7	37.7	36.9	30.3	30.3	29.9	3.3	3.3	3.0	1.6	1.6	1.5	2.6	2.6	2.4
HOSPITALS	13.5	13.5	13.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1
HEALTH SVC., EX. HOSPITALS	24.1	24.1	23.4	17.8	17.8	17.5	3.0	3.0	2.7	0.9	0.9	0.9	2.4	2.4	2.3
BUSINESS SERVICES	31.6	31.6	31.2	26.7	26.7	26.5	2.1	2.1	2.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	2.1	2.1	2.1
SOCIAL SERVICES	14.3	14.3	14.2	10.0	10.0	9.9	2.1	2.1	2.3	0.5	0.5	0.4	1.7	1.7	1.5
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	11.8	11.7	11.6	10.5	10.4	10.3	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.5
ENG., ACCTG., MGT. SVC.	11.5	11.4	11.0	9.0	8.9	8.7	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.6
GOVERNMENT	121.2	119.8	117.8	97.2	96.1	94.6	11.6	11.5	11.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	8.2	8.1	7.9
FEDERAL	30.0	29.8	30.1	28.0	27.9	28.2	1.1	1.0	1.0	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
STATE	74.5	73.3	71.2	57.7	56.8	55.1	8.2	8.1	8.0	2.7	2.7	2.7	5.8	5.7	5.5
EDUCATION	49.4	48.4	47.0	39.6	38.9	37.7	4.9	4.7	4.7	1.6	1.6	1.6	3.3	3.2	3.0
LOCAL	16.8	16.7	16.5	11.4	11.4	11.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.9	1.9	1.8

N.D. = Less than 50 or Not Disclosed.

NOTE: Totals may not add due to rounding. Data for current month is preliminary; other months are revised. State of Hawai'i & Honolulu County job data are in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics. Total jobs include multiple jobholders & exclude nonagricultural self-employed, unpaid family workers, domestics. Estimates include all full- or part-time wage & salary employees who worked/received pay during the week including the 12th of the month. State government data includes all paid positions or jobs in the executive, legislative and judiciary branches, as reported in the Dept. of Accounting & General Services payroll report. It differs from Dept. of Human Resources Development figures, which counts civil service & exempt employees & their full-time equivalency in the executive branch.

Labor Force Estimates (U.S.)

Data in thousands; all data unadjusted.

	MAR 2002	FEB 2002	MAR 2001
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	142,092	142,057	141,751
EMPLOYED	133,433	133,349	135,298
UNEMPLOYED	8,659	8,707	6,453
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	6.1%	6.1%	4.6%

Hours & Earnings



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INDUSTRY	PRODUCTION WORKERS	AVG. WEEKLY EARNINGS	AVG. WEEKLY HOURS	AVG. HOURLY EARNINGS
Construction & Mining	17,700	\$1,098.88	36.9	\$29.78
Manufacturing	11,500	498.77	35.1	14.21
Communications & Utilities	8,000	954.29	41.8	22.83
Trade	116,400	295.80	29.0	10.20
Wholesale Trade	17,100	480.28	38.3	12.54
Retail Trade	99,300	263.86	27.4	9.63
Eating & Drinking Establishments	45,200	188.93	24.6	7.68
Deposit & Nondepository Institutions	5,700	473.60	36.6	12.94
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	33,600	447.26	32.2	13.89

Workforce Development Division Applicant Profiles

Listed below are some of the applicants registered with the
Hawai'i State Workforce Development Division.
Interested employers are urged to call the number following each profile.

Administrative Officer: US Navy veteran with secret clearance. Business management degree, Dec. 2000. Computer literate. Pay \$10/hr. *Call Blas Silva at 586-8719.*

Air Traffic Controller/Administrative Assistant: Recently separated veteran. Seeking employment as Air Traffic Controller or Administrative Assistant. FAA Air Traffic Controller Certificate. 4 years exper. Types 40 wpm. Knows MS Office Suite. Switchboard exper. *Call Susan Lim at 233-3670 (Kaneohe Office).*

Auto Mechanic: Recently separated US Army veteran. 6 years automobile mechanic repair and service exper. Recently obtained CDL A tractor-trailer driver license. Pay negotiable. *Call Michael Fee at 586-8718 (Honolulu Office).*

Branch Manager: US Army veteran. 21 years exper. coordinating sales on the wholesale/retail level in a ceramic tile store. Pay \$13/hr. *Call Blas Silva at 586-8719.*

Bus/Truck Driver: US Navy veteran. 12 years exper. transporting people, supplies and equipment. Clean traffic abstract; familiar with local streets and landmarks. Pay \$10/hr. *Call Blas Silva at 586-8719.*

Clerical/Legal Support/Admin. Clerk: Navy veteran. Seeks position in legal profession. Prefers supportive service with a legal firm but will consider other administrative positions. AS - University of Hawaii, Paralegal Studies. Computer literate. Anxious to start work immediately. Asking \$13/hr. *Call Kathy at 675-0012 (Waipahu Office).*

Computer Repair and Service: US Army Vietnam veteran. 20+ years Electronic Mechanic exper.. Recent A+ Certification/Network-Plus training. Pay negotiable. *Call Michael Fee at 586-8718 (Honolulu Office).*

Computer/Information Tech Manager: US Navy veteran. Good electronic tech background. Seeks good job. Very good private work exper. as Systems Engineering/Telecommunication Manager. AS - Info. Tech. Very flexible, good attitude. Open pay. *Call Gary Tasaka at 675-0013 (Waipahu Office).*

Construction Manager/Estimator: Navy veteran. Seeks employment as Construction Project Manager or Estimator. 25+ years exper. in construction Industry. 10+ years as Project/Construction Manager. Drafting skills work exper. Recently completed updated course AutoCAD Level I-III, LCC. Terminated last position due to lack of work. Very motivated, professional, and ready to begin work immediately. Salary negotiable. *Call Kathy at 675-0012 (Waipahu Office).*

Cook: Veteran. Extensive exper. in food preparation, seeks work in the kitchen as a cook or kitchen helper. *Call Eric Nordmeier at 808-274-3056.*

Draftsman: US Navy veteran. Seeking drafting position. Recently trained in latest autocad design practices. Pay negotiable. *Call Michael Fee at 586-8718 (Honolulu Office).*

Executive Chef: US Army veteran. Military exper. as Powerplant Tech. AS - Food Service, LCC. Extensive chef exper. in major hotel restaurants and private club. Very good attitude and seems very knowledgeable in the field. Open pay. *Call Gary Tasaka at 675-0013 (Waipahu Office).*

Heavy Truck Driver: US Navy veteran. 10+ years over the road exper. without any accidents. CDL A with Hazmat, tanker, and dump truck tri-axle endorsements. Pay negotiable. *Call Clyde Kawakami at 973-8387 or 586-8701.*

Human Resources/Administration/Personnel Management: Recently separated veteran. Legal administration exper. Seeks employment in the above career fields. 4+ years exper. Some college. Computer literate. Supervised 15 people. Seeking entry-level management position with room to grow in the company. *Call Susan Lim at 233-3670 (Kaneohe Office).*

Laborer: Versatile veteran. Exper. in sugar and coffee industries. Seeks work as a laborer, grounds keeper or painter. *Call Eric Nordmeier at 808-274-3056.*

Machinist Mate/Quality Assurance: Recently separated Navy veteran. Seeks position in Quality Assurance to utilize 20 years exper. Skills and training as Machinist. Skills include, but not limited to, hydraulics, A/C, pneumatics, compressed gasses,

plumbing, fresh & sea water systems. Teach, instruct, manage, supervise. Ready to start work immediately. Salary negotiable. *Call Kathy at 675-0012 (Waipahu Office).*

Maintenance Cleaner: US Army veteran. Customer service oriented. 8 years cleaning and maintaining exper. Has resume. *Call Clyde Kawakami at 973-8387 or 586-8701.*

Mortgage Loan Processor: USMC veteran. 3 years exper. processing, analyzing documents. Computer literate. Pay \$14/hr. *Call Blas Silva at 586-8719.*

Network Technician: US Air Force veteran. Provided technical assistance to computer system users. Answer questions, resolve computer problems for clients in person or via telephone from remote location. Seeking \$14/hr. *Call Reggie Conarton at 974-4126 (Hilo Office).*

Office Work: Veteran. Seeks work in office environment. Numerous years exper. as office manager, receptionist, or file clerk. *Call Eric Nordmeier at 808-274-3056.*

Printer/Press Operator: US Army veteran. 15+ years exper. as printer/press operator. Has the knack not only to print, but to repair presses. Has resume. Pay negotiable. *Call Clyde Kawakami at 973-8387 or 586-8701.*

Safety Management Specialist: US Navy veteran. Manager of OSHA, EPA, Industry Safety Standards along with companies excellence goals programs. Responsible for training of personnel to ensure safe and efficient plant operations. Seeking \$15/hr. *Call Reggie Conarton at 974-4126 (Hilo Office).*

Sheet Metal Worker: US Marine Corps veteran. Journey level, 15 years exper. in fabrication and installation of heating and A/C systems, gutters, flashing, water diversion, and metal roofing. Seeking \$10/hr. *Call Reggie Conarton at 974-4126 (Hilo Office).*

Telecommunications: Recently separated veteran. Seeks employment in telecommunications field. Knows MS Office XP, MS 2000, Excel, Word. *Call Susan Lim at 233-3670 (Kaneohe Office).*

Transportation Supervisor: US Air Force veteran. Supply, supervision background in the military. Good private exper. as an electronic receiving clerk. Very good attitude. Appears responsible and mature. Open pay. *Call Gary Tasaka at 675-0013 (Waipahu Office).*

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Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, 2000

In 2000, there were 8,229 insured unemployed people in the State of Hawai'i with the following characteristics:

- Just under 64 percent were male.
- Industry-wise, over 26 percent of the unemployed came from services, followed by 24 percent from construction.
- Around 29 percent of the total insured unemployed were between the ages of 35 and 44. Another 25 percent were 45 to 54 years old. The 25 to 34 age range accounted for about 24 percent of the total.
- Over 38 percent of the unemployed claimants were out of work for 1-4 weeks and nearly 37 percent were jobless for 5-14 weeks. The long-term unemployed, those unemployed for 15

weeks or more, represented almost 25 percent of the total.

- Over 28 percent of the insured unemployed used to be in structural work occupations.

New Data for Affirmative Action Programs

The Labor Force Information by Sex and Race (Table 1A), a supplement to the *Labor Force Information for Affirmative Action Programs* publication, was recently updated for 2001. The data is available online at www.loihi.state.hi.us. A limited number of hard copies are available from: Hawai'i State Dept. of Labor & Industrial Relations, Research & Statistics Office – LMR, 830 Punchbowl St., Rm. 304, Honolulu, HI; or call (808) 586-8999 to request a copy by mail. Please direct questions concerning this report to (808) 586-9029.



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